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OUR TENTH ANNIVERSARY.

There is a paragraph going the rounds of our exchanges to the effect that there will be a big celebration here on the tenth anniversary of the city's incorporation. Without a single exception this information has been well received, and a number of people have spoken most favorably of the project, and prophesied that it would be an eminent success. It undoubtedly would be, and our enterprising citizens should take the matter in hand and push it to a successful termination. Nothing would do more to bring the city to the attention of people all over the country than such a celebration, and it would be the best kind of an advertisement. President Kimball, of the Norfolk and Western road, is said to have been the first to propose it, and he will hardly find it difficult to get plenty of men to help him, now that the suggestion has been made. He thinks that by 1892 Roanoke will have 30,000 inhabitants. It will be a glorious showing—1882, 500 people; 1892, 30,000 people.

SUNDAY IN ROANOKE.

Sunday is certainly a day of rest in Roanoke, and the city appears all the quieter on account of the great activity of the week. This is distinctively a church-going place, and every Sunday the churches are filled to overflowing. We have not as yet room in the churches; the phenomenal growth of the town has left them to a certain extent far in the rear, although a number of places of worship have been finished recently. When the day is fine it is almost impossible to find a seat in some of the Roanoke churches, so large is the attendance, and people go from one church to another until they find a seat. This fact contrasts strongly with the situation in a great many cities where it is a matter of difficulty to get the seats half-way filled. It speaks well for the people of Roanoke. Give us more and larger churches, we have the people to fill them.

IRON IS KING.

We print in our news columns today an article relative to the increase in the price of iron and the causes that have led up to it. The article should receive the thoughtful consideration of every one having interests in this section, for a European market means a great deal for the great Southwest; it means that the demand will be supplied to a great extent from here and at an increased price. It means also that greater capital will almost immediately be put in the mines and thus another great impetus added to the growth of this city. It is not news that the old mines which have been worked for years are at last giving out; it has long been known that this must come sooner or later, but it came sooner than had been anticipated. The time has arrived when England must send to America for the raw materials, and with this demand will come English capital.

ANOTHER EXODUS.

The report that the negroes are about to commence a general exodus from the South has again bobbed up serenely. We expect a report of this kind now, and if it does not put in an appearance about once a week, we are disappointed. This time, so we are informed by the telegraphic dispatches, arrangements have been made for the removal of a large number of servants to the New England States. It is said that the local authorities of the principal cities have promised to deal liberally with them, and it is understood that certain of the original abolitionists are at the head of the movement.

Let them try the experiment by all means, they will meet with no opposition in the South. We can imagine a dusky and slovenly Diana in a New England kitchen, where everything must be kept as neat as a new pin. When once our Northern friends have had practical experience with the generation of negro servants which has grown up since "befo' de wah," they won't have so much to say about Southern outrages. Misery loves company, and then we will be brothers.

KNOCK THE PERSIMMONS.

Tom P. Grasty, the versatile correspondent of the Manufacturers' Record writing from Philadelphia, says that he has heard more inquiries at the newsstand for the Roanoke papers in the last few weeks than in a twelve-month before. People outside look for the papers to see what is going on in this flourishing city, and the merchants using them are the ones who will get the patronage.

THE WORLD'S NOTED ERAS.

The era of Abraham began Oct. 1, B. C. 2016.

The era of Augustus began in the year of Rome 727, twenty-seven years before the Christian era.

The era of Tyre began B. C. 135, in the year of Rome 628, and in the 18th of the Seleucid or Grecian era.

The era of Antioch fixed the creation B. C. 5492. After 233, however, it coincided with the Alexandrian era.

The era of the Högtra dates from the flight of Mohammed from Mecca to Medina, on the 12th or 13th of July, A. D. 622.

The Chinese era begins B. C. 2277, but since the year 163 B. C. Chinese writers have dated the year from the accession of the reigning emperor.

The Cæsarean era of Antioch was instituted in consequence of the victory of Pharsalia, gained by Julius Cæsar in the year of Rome 709, and B. C. 48.

The era of Nabonassar began Feb. 26, B. C. 747. It continued until the death of Alexander the Great, and was thence brought down to the reign of Antonius Pius.

The Hindoo era is quite complicated and its elucidation has given rise to much controversy. The current era—the fourth—of the world's existence, the Kali yug, began B. C. 3101.

The French republic era began Sept. 22, 1792. The republican calendar was first used on the 26th of November, 1793, and was discontinued Dec. 31, 1805, when the Gregorian was resumed.

The Persian era began on the accession of King Xerxes to the throne of Persia, June 16, A. D. 482. The Persian year was readjusted in A. D. 1075, and the system continues to the present time.

The Jewish era was adopted in the Fifteenth century. The Jews date from the creation of the world, which they consider to have taken place 3760 years and 3 months before the commencement of the Christian era.

The Alexandrian era of the creation of the world was fixed at 5502 years before Christ, so that A. D. 1 corresponds with the Alexandrian year of the creation 5508. This computation was continued until the year A. D. 284, but in A. D. 285 ten years were subtracted.

The era of Spain began at the conquest of that country by Augustus, B. C. 38. It was adopted in Portugal, Africa and the southern provinces of France. It was abolished in Catalonia in 1180; in Aragon, 1390; in Valencia, 1358, and in Castile in 1393, but it prevailed in Portugal as late as 1415 or 1422.

The Grecian era commences in the year of Rome 422, twelve years after the death of Alexander, B. C. 321. This era is still in use among almost all the people of the Levant. The Jews, when they became subject to the kings of Syria, adopted it, and did not abandon it for the one now used by them until within the last 400 years.

The era of Constantinople, which was adopted in that city before the middle of the Seventh century, likewise commences with the creation of the world, which is assigned to B. C. 5508. The Russians followed this calculation until the reign of Peter the Great, having received it from the Greek church, by which it is still used.—The American Analyst.

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Dear Sir: I have thoroughly tested

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Returning, leave park at 8.45, 10.15

and 11.45 a. m., 2.15, 3.45 and 5.15 p. m.

SUNDAY SCHEDULE.

Cars will leave for Driving Park

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ROANOKE AND VINTON LINE.

Cars will leave front of Union Pas-

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J. F. CHRISTIAN,

General Manager.

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